## CONSENT TO USE OR DISCLOSE INFORMATION FOR TREATMENT, PAYMENT OR HEALTH CARE OPERATIONS

The information found in this document is for informational purposes only. The information provided is not to be used or construed as legal interpretation.

The Patient hereby consents to the use or disclosure of his/her individually identifiable health information ("protected health information") by General Hospital ("Facility") in order to carry out treatment, payment, or health care operations. The Patient should review the Facility's Notice of Privacy Practices for Protected Health Information [must be a separate document] for a more complete description of the potential uses and disclosures of such information, and the Patient has the right to review such Notice prior to signing this consent form.

Facility reserves [or does not reserve] for itself the right to change the terms of its Notice of Privacy Practices for Protected Health Information at any time. If the Facility does change the terms of its Notice of Privacy Practices, Patient may obtain a copy of the revised Notice [by following this procedure].

Patient retains the right to request that the Facility further restrict how his/her protected health information is used or disclosed to carry out treatment, payment, or health care operations. The Facility is not required to agree to such requested restrictions; however, if the Facility does agree to Patient's requested restriction(s), such restrictions are then binding on the Facility.

At all times, Patient retains the right to revoke this Consent. Such revocation must be submitted to the Facility in writing. The revocation shall be effective *except* to the extent that the Facility has already taken action in reliance on the Consent. [Optional, but helpful to describe <u>how</u> Consent may be revoked – e.g., as required in Authorization provision.]

The Facility may refuse to treat Patient if he/she (or an authorized representative) does not sign this Consent Form (except to the extent that the Facility is required by law to treat individuals). If Patient (or authorized representative) signs this Consent Form and then revokes Consent, the Facility has the right to refuse to provide further treatment to Patient as of the time of revocation (except to the extent that the Facility is required by law to treat individuals).

I HAVE READ AND UNDERSTAND THIS INFORMATION. I HAVE RECEIVED A COPY OF THIS FORM AND I AM THE PATIENT OR AM AUTHORIZED TO ACT ON BEHALF OF THE PATIENT TO SIGN THIS SEALED [SEALED SIGNATURES ARE OPTIONAL] DOCUMENT VERIFYING CONSENT TO THE ABOVE STATED TERMS.

| Date:TimeAM/PM       |                                       |
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| _(SEAL)              | Signature of Patient                  |
|                      | Please print name                     |
| (SEAL)               | (SEAL)                                |
| Signature of witness | Person Signing on behalf of Patient * |

| Please print name | Please print name |
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| *Please explain Representative's Relationship to Patient and include a description of Representative's Authority to act on behalf of the Patient: |  |
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